# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: DIET DRUGS (PHENTERMINE/ FENFLURAMINE/ DEXFENFLURAMINE) PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION	) MDL DOCKET NO. 1203 )
SHEILA BROWN, et al. v. AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORPORATION	) ) CIVIL ACTION NO. 99-20593
This document relates to:	) )
LINDA HARMON, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20082
DUWANDA ROBBINS, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20081
JANICE BINION, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20119
LILLIAN CHANDLER, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20120
PATRICIA MOSLEY, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20122
MARY F. SANDERS, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20121
- and -	) )
BRENDA STALLINGS, et al. v. WYETH-AYERST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., et al.	) ) CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-20118 ) )

### WYETH'S SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION TO DISMISS CERTAIN PLAINTIFFS

COMES NOW Wyeth and hereby supplements its Motion to Dismiss Certain Plaintiffs filed in the above actions on October 24, 2003. Wyeth respectfully moves this Court to enter an Order dismissing the additional plaintiffs listed below with prejudice on the ground set forth in Wyeth's October 24 motion, namely that they have not satisfied the medical eligibility

requirements necessary for prosecuting a downstream opt-out claim under the terms of a National Settlement Agreement to which they are a party.

On October 24, 2003, Wyeth filed a Motion to Dismiss Certain Plaintiffs in which it demonstrated, among other things, that under the terms of the National Settlement Agreement, plaintiffs who were not diagnosed by a Qualified Physician as FDA positive by an echocardiogram performed between commencement of diet drug use and the end of the screening period were not eligible to sue as an intermediate opt out and therefore their claims must be dismissed. *See* Wyeth's Memorandum in Support of its Motion to Dismiss Certain Plaintiffs at pp. 7-9. Wyeth then identified 135 plaintiffs in the above-captioned cases who, according to echocardiogram reports prepared by plaintiffs' own expert, were not FDA positive and asked the Court to dismiss those plaintiffs. *Id.* at 9-19. That motion has been fully briefed and the parties are awaiting the Court's ruling.

At the time Wyeth filed its original motion, not all of the plaintiffs in the above-captioned cases had produced echocardiogram reports to Wyeth. Since that time, however, 37 additional plaintiffs in the above-captioned cases have produced echocardiogram reports, prepared by his or her own diagnosing cardiologist, which report that plaintiff is not FDA positive. The following chart shows, case by case, the plaintiff, the diagnosis and the diagnosing cardiologist. For each of the plaintiffs identified below, the diagnosing cardiologist is Dr. Razzak Tai, an expert retained by plaintiffs in the diet drug litigation.

Binion, et al. v. Wyeth, et al. (Echo Reports attached hereto as Defendant's Exhibit A)

			FDA Positive or
			Medically Eligible to
			Assert Downstream
Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	Opt-Out
Harviel, Sarah	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal	No
		structure and function. The	
		aortic valvular function is	

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
		normal.	
McDaniel, Jr., Robert	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Rose, Alisha	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. The aorta is of normal dimension. The aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Shaw, Shirley	10-27-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension. The aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Westbrook, Melissa	06-24-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is thickened with normal function. Slight aortic dilation with minimal systolic gradient.	No

## Harmon, et al. v. Wyeth, et al. (Echo Reports attached hereto as Defendant's Exhibit B)

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
Harmon, Linda	04-21-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. A mild degree of aortic valve turbulence is present.	No
Murphy, Donna	04-22-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve has normal structure and function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Noland, Debbie	04-22-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is of normal structure and function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No

## Mosley, et al. v. Wyeth, et al. (Echo Reports attached hereto as Defendant's Exhibit C)

			FDA Positive or
			Medically Eligible to
			Assert Downstream
Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	Opt-Out
Chalmers, Barbara	10-27-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is not visualized.	No

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Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
		accurately. Technically poor study. Incomplete study.	
Follis-McClure, Jackie	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Hill, Debra	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. Trace aortic insufficiency.	No
Mosley, Patricia	02-24-00/Dr. Malcolm Taylor 02-21-01/Dr. Malcolm Taylor	Mild mitral regurgitation  Mild mitral regurgitation.	No No
Prather, Joanna	10-27-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Minimal mitral regurgitation. Aorta is of normal dimension. Aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Stewart, Charles	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Minimal mitral regurgitation. Minimal aortic insufficiency.	No
Weathersby, Sharon	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. Minimally dilated aorta and minimal aortic systolic gradient.	No

## Sanders, et al. v. Wyeth, et al. (Echo Reports attached hereto as Defendant's Exhibit D)

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
Beaver, Amanda	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Cunningham, Kay	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is thickened with normal function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Dale, Sarah	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. Trace aortic insufficiency.	No
Holden, Cindy	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Irby, Senatra	12-18-02/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension.	No
Johnson, Rhonda	04-21-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows trace regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension. The aortic valve velocity is increased. A small systolic gradient of less	No

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
		than 10 mmhg is present.	
Sanders, Mary	04-22-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal structure and function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Shaw, Freddy	10-27-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Minimal mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension. Aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Williams, Virginia	04-21-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aortic valve has normal structure and function.	No

## <u>Stallings</u>, et al. v. Wyeth, et al. (Echo Reports attached hereto as Defendant's Exhibit E)

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
Alford, Kimberly	12-18-02/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension.	No
Carpenter, Cathy	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation.  Minimal aortic insufficiency.	No
Cooper, Elayna	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Davis, Susan	11-14-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. Trace aortic insufficiency.	No
Givens-Rowan, Valerie	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. Minimal aortic insufficiency.	No
Johnson, Menalone	11-14-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. Trace aortic insufficiency.	No
Johnson, Ramona	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is thickened with normal function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
McMillan, Bruce	11-14-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension. Aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Preston, Carolyn	10-28-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mild mitral regurgitation. The aorta is of normal dimension. Aortic valvular velocity is normal.	No
Reed, Angela	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve is thickened with normal function. The aortic valvular function is normal.	No
Simpson, Carrie	10-27-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Minimal mitral regurgitation. Aortic valvular function is	No

Plaintiff Name	Date/Provider	Echocardiogram Report	FDA Positive or Medically Eligible to Assert Downstream Opt-Out
		normal.	
Stallings, Brenda	04-22-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows normal	No
		structure and function. The	
		aortic valvular structure and	
		function are normal.	
Stewart, Harriet	06-25-01/Dr. Razzak Tai	Mitral valve shows thickening	No
		with normal function. The	
		aortic valvular function is	
		normal.	

In addition, three of the plaintiffs identified above should be dismissed for the additional reason that they did not ingest Pondimin or Redux. Specifically, plaintiffs Senatra Irby, Mary Sanders and Brenda Stallings testified during their depositions that they did not ingest Pondimin or Redux, only Phentermine. *See* deposition transcript of S. Irby at pp. 5-6, M. Sanders at 97-101, B. Stallings at pp. 121-129 (attached as collective Ex. F).

Accordingly, Wyeth now seeks to supplement its motion to dismiss to add the names of the plaintiffs identified in the chart above and respectfully requests that the Court dismiss those plaintiffs for the reasons set forth in its original motion.

A proposed Order embodying the relief requested is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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